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SUBJECT: NEW CABINET FREES SEAT ON MUNICIPAL COUNCIL; KUWAITI WOMAN
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¶1. On February 9, Municipal Council Chairman Abdullah Saud Al-Muhailbi was nominated as Minister of State for Municipality Affairs (reftel). His appointment leaves an open seat on the 16-member Council, which by law, must be filled in 60 days.

¶2. In a statement to the press on February 12, Janan Ramadan Bushihri declared that she will compete in the elections in the Salwa district for the seat. Bushihri will be the first Kuwaiti woman to run for publicly-elected office. Two women already serve on the Council; they were appointed by the GOK.

Bio Note

¶3. Bushihri was born in 1973. She is married and works as a manager for the Food Inspection Department in the Service Affairs Sector of the Municipal Council.

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